BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2006-82-T - ORDER NO. 2006-336

JUNE 8, 2006

IN RE: Application of South Carolina Tariff Bureau,

Inc. for a 12% Rate Increase

) ORDER APPROVING

) RATE INCREASE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of the South Carolina Tariff Bureau (the Tariff Bureau or the Applicant) for a 12% rate increase, to update the fuel matrix, and to add a column for 12,000 lbs. or more to the weight category in the line haul transportation rate schedule.

Upon receipt of the Tariff Bureau's Application, the Commission's Docketing Department instructed the Applicant to publish, one time, a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas of the state affected by the Application. The purpose of the Notice of Filing was to inform interested parties of the Application of the Tariff Bureau and of the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings for participation in the proceeding. The Applicant complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with proof of publication of the Notice of Filing. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were received.

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) conducted an impact study of the Tariff Bureau's request to determine the effects of the proposed increase on the

operating ratios of the companies comprising the Tariff Bureau. On May 15, 2006, the ORS filed its investigation report with the Commission. It appears that the resulting operating ratios on the test companies are within the range of reasonableness considered appropriate and therefore approvable by this Commission. Accordingly, the requested 12% rate increase is granted. The proposed update of the fuel matrix is found to be just and reasonable upon examination. Further, the addition of the column to the weight category for 12,000 lbs. or more in the line haul transportation rate schedule is also reasonable. The South Carolina Tariff Bureau Application is therefore approved as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the relief sought in the Application of the South Carolina Tariff Bureau be, and hereby is, approved.
- 2. That the South Carolina Tariff Bureau shall file tariff amendments reflecting the rate changes with the Commission and with the Office of Regulatory Staff within ten (10) days of its receipt of this Order.
- 3. That failure of the South Carolina Tariff Bureau to file or cause to be filed with the Commission and with the Office of Regulatory Staff tariff amendments reflecting the rate changes within ten (10) days from receipt of this Order shall result in the authorization approved in the Order being revoked.

4. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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